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Dear Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants respectfully petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office action dated February 7, 2008 for three (3) months from May 7, 2008 to August 7, 2008.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)(3), please treat this and any concurrent or future reply in this application that requires a petition for an extension of time for its timely submission as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time.

Respectfully,
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